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PSC SETS HEARING SCHEDULE IN WATER CASE

Jefferson City (November 6, 2003)---The Missouri Public Service Commission will hold a hearing on **November 12, 2003**, in a case where the Warren County Water & Sewer Company seeks to sell its water distribution system assets and sanitary sewer system assets to the Missouri-American Water Company.

The hearing is scheduled to begin at 8:30 am on November 12, 2003. It is scheduled to end at 1:00 pm and will reconvene at 8:30 am on November 13, 2003, if necessary. The hearing will be held in the offices of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street) in Jefferson City. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person needing additional accommodations to participate in this hearing may call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

Warren County Water & Sewer Company, Warren-Lincoln Investments, Inc., d/b/a Warren County Water & Sewer, and Gary Smith and A. Lynn Smith and Missouri-American Water Company filed a joint application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking Commission authority to sell the water distribution system assets and sanitary sewer system assets of the Warren County Water & Sewer Company to the Missouri-American Water Company.

The General Counsel of the Missouri Public Service Commission has a case in Warren County Circuit Court seeking a court order placing the control and responsibility of the day-to-day operations of the Warren County Water & Sewer Company with a receiver.

The Public Service Commission, based upon a thorough review of evidence presented in a complaint case brought against the Warren County Water & Sewer Company by the Office of the Public Counsel, determined in an October 2002 order that the Warren County Water & Sewer Company was unwilling or unable to provide safe and adequate service to its customers. Based upon that decision, the Commission directed its General Counsel to go to circuit court seeking the appointment of a receiver to operate the utility and liquidate its assets.

In the case currently before the Commission, Warren County Water & Sewer Company has agreed to sell its assets to the Missouri-American Water Company in order to resolve the receivership issue.

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